I am adamantly opposed to this poorly fashioned, ill-advised proposal that benefits only a small group of corporations at a clear cost to local municipalities, PEG channels, and the communities they serve.

Implementation of this proposal would enable cable companies to deduct a wide range of franchise obligations and already contractually agreed-to payments, and to do so at a so-called a “fair market value “to be determined by those companies alone.

There is no doubt that, if implemented, this proposal will generate unearned additional corporate profits at the expense of and detriment to citizens and taxpayers.

In some locations, PEG channels will be unable to survive the losses they incur, thus depriving entire communities of access to information, services, and entertainment to which they are entitled.

In short, a bad idea. One that in effect furthers the ultimate intrusion into the community cable access reason for being. One that threatens the existence of cable access itself. Please defeat this proposal.